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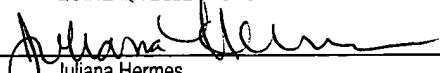
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Thomas H. Turpin, et al.

Application No.: 10/645,695 (Divisional of  
USSN 09/755,836)

Filed: August 20, 2003

For: PRODUCTION OF PEPTIDES IN  
PLANTS AS VIRAL COAT PROTEIN  
FUSIONS

Examiner: Unassigned

Art Unit: Unassigned

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

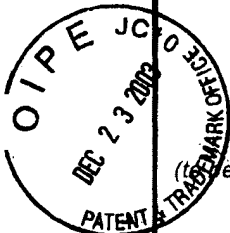
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**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.



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- ☐ Licensing-related Papers
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- ☐ Small Entity Statement
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